

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Alfred Froebrich on January 29, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

The abstract has been amended to read:

--Angular motion driving mechanism comprising, mounted on a supporting structure, a gear wheel for intermittent rotational movement in clockwise and counterclockwise directions within an arc bounded by first and second angular positions of the gear wheel with respect to the supporting structure, a driving gear being drivingly coupled to the drive motor and to the gear wheel imparting rotational movement to the gear wheel from said first to said second position in an active mode of the drive motor, a coiled torsion return spring, which is flexed against its bias at rotational movement of the gear wheel from the first to the second angular position in the active mode of the drive motor, and which relaxes in the non-active mode of the drive motor by urging the gear wheel to return from the second to the first angular position. --

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JUSTIN KRAUSE whose telephone number is (571)272-3012. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Ridley can be reached on 571-272-6917. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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